

CoCoRaHS - Getting Ready for Severe Weather

[Severe Weather Awareness Week](#) is coming up this month. Many of you have taken Spotter Training classes

and know how important your severe weather reports are to the National Weather Service. As CoCoRaHS

observers you can also provide important information to aid in issuing and verifying storm warnings.

If you observe Hail or Intense Precipitation you can, if you want, enter an additional report that alerts directly

to the Duty Forecasters at your local weather office. When you open the [My Data Entry](#) web page, select

either [Hail](#) or [Intense Precipitation](#) on the left hand side. Fill in the information you can and submit the observation.

This observation will automatically alert at the Duty Forecaster's workstation. The forecaster can then include

your observation as part of a warning, statement, or local storm report. This additional information from trained

observers with exact locations can add immense quality to [National Weather Service products](#) and are of great

interest to the media.

If you do an extra observation, its important to remember to also do your regular observation so the precipitation

values will be added to the daily record.

Look for Spotter and CoCoRaHS training classes in your area on the [CoCoRaHS Tennessee](#) Page or the training pages for [Memphis](#), [Morristown](#), [Nashville](#) or [Huntsville](#) Weather Forecast Offices.

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